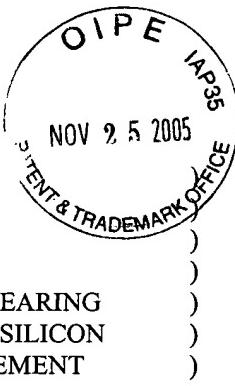


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 Jeffrey S. Lille
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 Filing Date: 6/20/03
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 SURFACE LAYER ON A SILICON
 READ/WRITE HEAD ELEMENT



Group Art Unit: 3729

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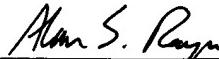
- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- It is believed that no additional fee is required.

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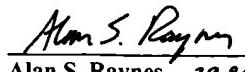
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